

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS COORDINATING COMMISSION MINUTES

March 17, 2014

The Children's Rights Coordinating Commission met at City Hall located at 201 W. Gray Street on the 17th day of March, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. and notice and agenda of the meeting were duly posted 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioners Allyson Felt, Julie Morris, Jolene Ring, Chair, Heidi Smith, and Dale Wares

ABSENT: Commissioners Joey Armstrong, Georgia Berry, Robin Stafford and Pat Valley

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeanne Snider  
Denise Johnson

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Item 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2013 [SIC--MARCH 17, 2014] MEETING.

Commissioner Morris moved that the agenda of the March 17, 2014, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission be approved, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Smith; and the question being upon approving the MARCH 17, 2014, agenda of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Felt, Morris, Ring, Smith, and Wares

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried; and the agenda of the March 17, 2014, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission was approved.

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Item 3 being:

DISCUSSION WITH HEIDI SMITH, Mary Abbott House regarding the April 12, 2014 Children's Garden event at Andrews Park.

An update was given by Heidi Smith regarding the Children's Garden event, a free event, to be held on April 12, 2014, at Andrews Park from noon to 4:00 p.m., an annual event that has grown significantly since its inception. All Commissioners were invited to attend.

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Item 4 being:

**DISCUSSION REGARDING YOUTH COUNCIL PROGRAM AND APPLICATIONS FOR 2014-2015 TERM.**

Jeanne Snider discussed the 2013-2014 Youth Council Program events held thus far and future events through May 13, 2014. The Commission discussed sponsoring a reception for the 2013-2014 Youth Council at 5:30 on May 13, 2014, prior to the Youth Council's annual presentation to the City Council, to share their highlights of the year and their recommendations for the 2014-2015 Youth Council.

Applications for the 2014-2015 term of the Youth Council are presently being accepted. The Commission will review the applications. The applicants will be presented to the City Council on May 13, 2014.

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Item 5 being:

**DISCUSSION REGARDING SPECIAL MEETING FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING.**

Discussion was held regarding a special meeting to determine new goals, focus, and future plans for the Commission. Discussion was had about extending the time of the June 16, 2014 regular meeting from one hour to two hours.

Item 6 being:

**MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION.**

Commissioner Wares advised the Commission that Child Abuse Prevention day is April 8, 2014 at the State Capitol. It is an all day observance with mini-conferences in the afternoon.

Commissioners Ring and Wares agreed to extend their terms on the Commission with support staff to notify the City Clerk's office of same.

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**Note** by Denise Johnson: The March 17, 2014 contained a scrivener's error in that Item 2 stated approval of the agenda of the December 16, 2013 meeting. The item should have read approval of the agenda of the March 17, 2014 meeting, which was approved. The item approving the December 16, 2013 meeting was inadvertently omitted from the agenda, and although the Minutes were approved, they will be part of the June 16, 2014 minutes for reapproval.

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Item 7 being:  
ADJOURNMENT.

Commissioner Morris moved that the March 17, 2014, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission be adjourned, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Smith; and the question being upon adjourning the March 17, 2014, meeting of the Children's Rights Coordinating Commission, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS: Commissioners Felt, Morris, Ring, Smith, and Wares

NAYES: None

The Chair declared the motion carried; and the March 17, 2014, Children's Rights Coordinating Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

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